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In re Application of:)	Confirmation No.: 9940
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Alfredo BENETTI)	Art Unit: 3641
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Appln. No.: 10/585,137)	Examiner: Troy Chambers
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For: APPARATUS FOR LAUNCHING BALLS FOR SPORTS PRACTICE

REPLY TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Sir:

The Applicant is in receipt of the Office Action mailed December 29, 2009, entirely in the nature of a requirement for election of species. Filed herewith is a petition for two months' extension of time and payment of the petition/extension fee at the small entity rate.

The PTO has required an election of a single species from among the six (6) species A-F identified in the Official Action. As Applicant must make an election even though the requirement is traversed, Applicant hereby respectfully and provisionally elects Species A including Figs. 1-4, with traverse and without prejudice. The claims which read on the elected Species A are all of Applicant's claims except for claims 4, 5 and 25, i.e. claims 1-3, 6-14, 18-24 and 26-38 read on (cover) the elected Species A.